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AND OTHER AID TO MIDDLE EAST

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1. IN RECENT DISCUSSION, ECONCOOPMIN OFFICE DIRECTOR
FOR MIDDLE EAST (SAHLMANN) MADE IT CLEAR THAT COOPMIN
VIEWED EGYPT'S ECONOMIC PROBLEMS PRIMARILY AS SOCIO-
ECONOMIC RATHER THAN PURELY FINANCIAL. SAHLMANN
STRESSED THAT THESE STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS NEGATED MUCH
OF THE PRESENT EFFORT OF DONOR COUNTRIES AND THAT THE
FRG'S "PAPER" AT THE UPCOMING CONSULTATIVE GROUP
MEETING WOULD EMPHASIZE SUCH ISSUES AS:

- HIGH POPULATION GROWTH

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- LARGE GAP BETWEEN HIGHLY-EDUCATED ELITE AND
NON-SKILLED MASSES

- LARGE NUMBER OF UNPRODUCTIVE CIVIL SERVANTS

- LACK OF INCENTIVES TO FARMERS TO PRODUCE AS

A RESULT OF PRICE AND PRODUCTION CONTROLS.

2. EMBASSY NOTES THAT MUELLER TEAM ADVISING SADAT (REF A) IS ALSO FOCUSING ON NON-FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF EGYPT'S ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

3. SAHLMANN ALSO MENTIONED THAT FRG AID PLANNING FOR THE MIDDLE EAST IN GENERAL HAS BEEN FIRMED UP. THE FRG PLANS TO MAKE 1977 AID COMMITMENTS TO SYRIA (DM 100 MILLION) AND NORTH YEMEN (DM 20 MILLION). JORDAN RECEIVED A TWO-YEAR AID COMMITMENT IN 1976 AND COULD EXPECT A NEW COMMITMENT IN 1978. FRG WANTS TO BEGIN ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH YEMEN (YAR) SOON AND PROBABLY WILL BEGIN WITH A SMALL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
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